

Layer-3 compressed data in real time and produces a non-compressed audio output.

Kindly cancel claims 2 and 3 without prejudice.

Kindly amend claim 12 as follows:

10 1/2. (Amended) A CD recording system, comprising:

a read drive, which receives and reads a first CD having audio data recorded thereon;

compression circuitry, which receives and compresses the audio data from the read drive by MPEG Layer-3 compression in real time; and

a write drive, which receives the [compressed] audio data compressed by MPEG Layer-3 compression and records the [compressed] audio data compressed by MPEG Layer-3 compression on a second, recordable CD.

Kindly cancel claims 13 and 14 without prejudice.

Kindly amend claim 19 as follows:

15 1/2. (Amended) A method for playing a long-playing audio CD, comprising:

reading MPEG Layer-3 compressed digital audio data from the CD; and

decompressing the MPEG Layer-3 compressed data in real time using a [custom] integrated circuit chip; and

converting resulting [the] decompressed data to analog form.

Kindly amend claim 27 as follows:

~~23~~ 27. (Amended) A method for producing a long-playing audio CD, comprising:

reading MPEG Layer-3 compressed digital audio data from a prerecorded CD;

compressing the data using MPEG Layer-3 compression in real time; and

recording [the] resulting MPEG Layer-3 compressed data on the long-playing CD.

Kindly cancel claim 28 without prejudice.